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<u>In Re Application of</u> :	February 24, 2004
<u>E. S. Eleftheriou, et al</u> :	Group Art No.: 2133
<u>Serial No. 09/902,859</u> :	Examiner: Shelly Chase
<u>Filed: July 11, 2001</u> :	IBM Corporation Anne Vachon Dougherty 3173 Cedar Road Yorktown Hts, N.Y. 10598
Title: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR LOW DENSITY PARITY CHECK ENCODING OF DATA	

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents  
Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 22, 2003  
for the above-identified patent application, Applicants  
submit a Petition for Extension of Time and the following:

Amendments to the Claims as reflected in the Listing of  
Claims which begins on page 2.

Remarks/Arguments which begin on page 6.

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